

EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116
EXAMINING GROUP ART UNIT 1631

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Filed: June 7, 1995

For: **ARRAYS AND SYSTEMS COMPRISING
ARRAYS FOR GENETIC ANALYSES
AND OTHER APPLICATIONS**
(As Previously Amended)

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**REQUEST UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.129(a) FOR WITHDRAWAL
OF THE FINALITY OF THE OCTOBER 10, 2001 OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sirs:

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.129(a), Applicants hereby request withdrawal of the finality of the October 10, 2001 Office Action issued in connection with the above-identified application. This Request follows Applicants' September 4, 2002 Communication To Transmit The Declaration Of Dr. James G. Wetmur, and it also follows the September 5, 2002 interview and Interview Summary.

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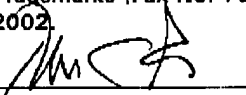
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Applicants responded to the October 10, 2001 Office Action by filing their Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 in which claims 718-1265 were canceled in favor of new claims 1266-1575. On June 17, 2002, Applicants filed a Supplemental Amendment in which new claims 1576-2142 were added in place of claims 1266-1575. It is hereby requested that claims 1576-2142 -- and no other claims -- be entered at this time pursuant to Applicants' June 17, 2002 Supplemental Amendment.

The fee for filing this Request under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.17(r) is \$740.00. The Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 05-1135 for the requisite fee of \$740.00 set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(r). No other fee or fees are believed due in connection with this filing. In the event that any other fee or fees are due, however, the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 05-1135 for any such other fee(s), or to credit any overpayment thereto.

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Dear Dr. Marschel:

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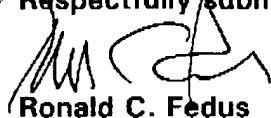
Kindly enter this 1.129(a) Request and claims 1576-2142 from Applicants' June 17, 2002 Supplemental Amendment.

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Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or comments, or if any further information is required.

Thank you.

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